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Surface Transportation Board
12th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
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Attention: Mrs. Janice Fort
Recordation

Re: Our File No.: 258-1658

Dear Mrs. Fort:

Enclosed for recordation as a primary document pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. §11301(a) are one original and one notarized copy of the following document:

Memorandum of Railcar Lease Agreement dated as of August 20, 1996 between The First National Bank of Maryland (25 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201) and Brandywine Valley Railroad Company (50 South First Avenue, Coatesville, Pennsylvania 19320).

Also enclosed for recordation as a secondary document pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. §11301(a) are one original and one notarized copy of the following document:

Assignment of Lessor's Interest in Lease dated August 20, 1996 by Morgan Rail L.L.C. (1843 R. W. Berends Dr., S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49509) in favor of The First National Bank of Maryland (25 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201)

Also enclosed are two checks both in the amount of \$21.00 to cover the costs of recording these documents.

Once these documents have been recorded, please return the same to: John A. Stalfort, Esquire, Miles & Stockbridge, 10 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please call me at (410) 385-3425 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michele E. Sperato".

Michele E. Sperato

Secretary to John A. Stalfort

Enclosures

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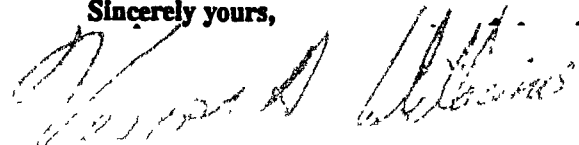
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Dear Sir:

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of Section 11303 of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 11303, on 8/21/96 at 9:45AM , and assigned recordation number(s). 20239, 20239-A, 20240, 8222-A and 8342-E.

Sincerely yours,

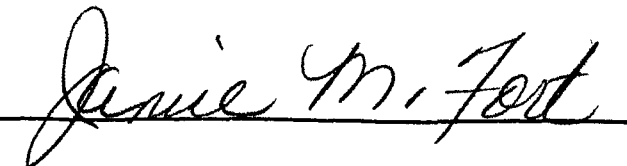


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Enclosure(s)

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Signature



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ASSIGNMENT OF LESSOR'S INTEREST IN LEASE

ALLEGANY COUNTY COMMERCIAL RECORDS

THIS ASSIGNMENT OF LESSOR'S INTEREST IN LEASE (this "Agreement") is made as of this 20th day of August, 1996 by MORGAN RAIL L.L.C., a Michigan limited liability company (the "Assignor"), in favor of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MARYLAND, a national banking association (the "Assignee").

RECITALS

A. Rail Trusts Equipment, Inc. has entered into that certain Lease Agreement dated as of May 1, 1996 (the "Lease") between Rail Trusts Equipment, Inc. and Brandywine Valley Railroad Company (the "Lessee").

B. Pursuant to the Assignment of Leases dated June 10, 1996, Rail Trusts Equipment, Inc. has assigned all of its right, title and interest in and to the Lease to the Assignor.

C. Pursuant to the Bill of Sale dated August 20, 1996, KND Rail Services, Inc. has conveyed title to the Railcars (hereinafter defined) to Assignor.

D. The Assignor has, pursuant to the Purchase and Sale Agreement of even date herewith, sold to the Assignee all of the Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the railcars which are described on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof (the "Railcars").

E. In connection with such sale of the Railcars, Assignor desires to assign to the Assignee all of the Assignor's right, title and interest in and to and obligations under (except the obligations of the lessor under Sections 3(a), 3(b) and 4 of the Lease) the Lease which Assignee expressly desires to assume. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Assignor desires to retain, jointly and severally, with the Assignee, the rights to claim and demand indemnification and the defenses of the warranties under Section 16, the last literary paragraph of Section 21, and Section 23 of the Lease.

AGREEMENTS

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor hereby agrees with the Assignee as follows:

1. Assignment. The Assignor hereby assigns to the Assignee all of the Assignor's right, title and interest in and to and obligations under (except the obligations of the lessor under Sections 3(a), 3(b) and 4 of the Lease) the Lease, including, without limitation, all rent payable with respect to the Railcars which Assignee expressly assumes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Assignor retains, jointly and severally, with the Assignee, the

rights to claim and demand indemnification and the defenses of the warranties under Section 16, the last literary paragraph of Section 21, and Section 23 of the Lease. The Lease's assignment is subject to any right of Lessee to use and possession in accordance with Section 5 of the Lease.

2. Representations and Warranties. The Assignor hereby represents and warrants to the Assignee the following:

(a) to the best of the Assignor's knowledge there are no defaults or events of defaults under the Lease;

(b) the Lease is presently in full force and effect;

(c) no rent under the Lease has been paid in advance;

(d) Assignee will be entitled to receive rental payments in amounts and for periods of time as follows: (i) Assignee will receive Interim Rent in the amount of per Railcar per day beginning on a Railcar's Delivery Date (as defined in the Lease) through and including the day prior to the Commencement Date (as defined in the Lease), and (ii) Fixed Rent in the amount of per Railcar per month beginning on the Commencement Date and continuing for 119 months thereafter for a total of 120 Fixed Rent payments due in advance on the first day of each month. Assignee will also be entitled to receive any other payments due Lessor under the Lease for the periods of time described above, all such payments to be made in accordance with the terms of the Lease.

(e) The Assignor has not assigned, encumbered or transferred in any way its interest in the Lease; and

(f) a complete copy of the Lease is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

3. Additional Instruments. The Assignor shall execute and deliver such further instruments and take such actions as shall be reasonably required in order to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

4. Miscellaneous Provisions.

(a) Entire Agreement. This Agreement comprises the complete understanding of the parties and there are no understandings, either written or oral, except as specifically set forth in this Agreement. No changes may be made in this Agreement unless specifically reduced to writing and accepted by both parties. All prior

negotiations and understandings of the parties are deemed merged into this Agreement.

(b) Amendment and Waiver. This Agreement may be amended, or any portion of this Agreement may be waived, provided that such amendment or waiver shall be in writing, executed by the parties to which any particular provision specifically relates and all such amendments and waivers made shall be binding upon the parties. No course of dealing between or among any persons having any interest in this Agreement shall be deemed effective to modify, amend or discharge any part of this Agreement or any rights or obligations of any person under or by reason of this Agreement.

(c) Inurement to Benefit of Assigns. All of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon, apply and inure to the benefit of the parties, their respective successors and assigns.

(d) Severability. Each of the terms and provision of this Agreement, except for the payment of the purchase price to Seller, is and is deemed to be severable, in whole or in part, and, if any term or provision or their application in any circumstance should be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the remaining terms and provisions or their application, to circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

(e) Exhibits and Schedules. All exhibits and schedules attached to this Agreement are incorporated and made a part of this Agreement by reference.

(f) Paragraph Headings. All paragraph and subparagraph headings are for convenience only and do not in any way limit to construe the contents of the paragraphs.

(g) Rights and Remedies. All rights and remedies granted any of the parties under this Agreement shall be cumulative.

(h) Survival of Representatives and Warranties. All representations, warranties and indemnifications shall survive the closing of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(i) Governing Law. The law of the State of Maryland shall govern all questions concerning the construction, validity and interpretation of this

Agrément and the performance of the obligations imposed by this Agreement.

(j) Construction. As used herein, any reference to the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include all genders, the plural shall include the singular, and the singular shall include the plural. This Agreement and all instruments executed to consummate the transactions contemplated shall be deemed to have been mutually negotiated, prepared and drafted, and in the event of its interpretation no consideration shall be given to the issue of which party prepared, drafted or requested any term, condition or agreement.

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor has executed this Agreement under seal by its duly authorized officers as of the day and year first written above.

ATTEST:

MORGAN RAIL L.L.C. ("Seller")

By: KND Rail Services, Inc.,
Manager

[Signature]
KND Rail Services, Inc.

By: [Signature] (SEAL)
Roger A. Duros,
President

STATE OF Michigan, County OF Kent, TO WIT:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 14th day of August, 1996, before me, personally appeared Roger A. Duros, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the President of KND Rail Services, Inc., a member and the Manager of Morgan Rail L.L.C., that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and that he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.

[Signature]
Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires:

BETTY A. HUIZENGA
Notary Public, Kent County, Michigan
My Commission Expires Feb. 24, 2000

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SCHEDULE A

DESCRIPTION OF RAILCARS

Ten (10) flat bed railcars bearing reporting marks and numbers:

<u>Old Marks</u>	<u>New Marks</u>
KNDX 636017	BVRY 9610
KNDX 636031	BVRY 9612
KNDX 636077	BVRY 9615
KNDX 636124	BVRY 9619
KNDX 636148	BVRY 9621
KNDX 636093	BVRY 9625
KNDX 636184	BVRY 9627
KNDX 636221	UMP 9631
KNDX 636224	UMP 9632
KNDX 636232	UMP 9633

EXHIBIT A

COPY OF LEASE

NOT INCLUDED WITH THIS FILING